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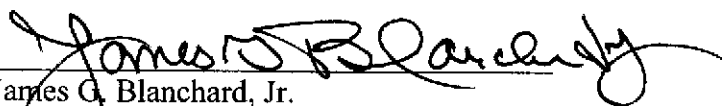
IN RE: GRAND JURY PRESENTMENT FOR THE JULY TERM 2018

The Grand Jury having returned the attached general presentment for the July Term 2018, and the same having been reviewed and accepted by the Court on September 14, 2018, it is now,

ORDERED that the said presentment shall be filed in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court for Richmond County, and that it shall be published once in the *Augusta Chronicle*, the legal gazette for said County; and

FURTHER ORDERED that the said general presentment shall be posted by the Director of Information Technology on the Augusta-Richmond County website for public access through the Internet (World Wide Web).

It is so ORDERED this 14th day of September 2018.

  
James G. Blanchard, Jr.  
Superior Court Judge  
Augusta Judicial Circuit

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TO: The Honorable James G. Blanchard  
Judge, Superior Court

FROM: Richmond County Grand Jury  
July Term 2018

DATE: September 14, 2018

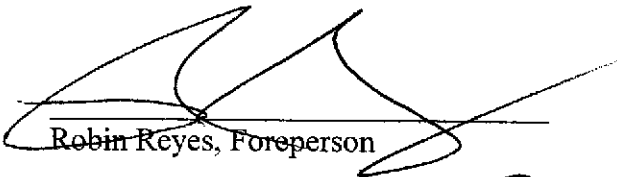
RE: Grand Jury Presentment

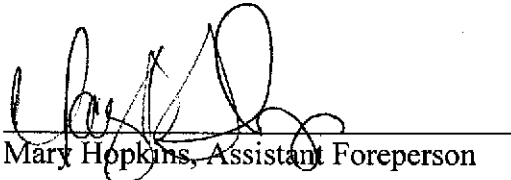
We, the members of the Augusta-Richmond County Grand Jury for the September Term 2018, having been duly sworn by the Honorable John Flythe on the 16th day of July 2018, submit our presentment on the 14th day of September, 2018, our last day as an official body of the Grand Jury.

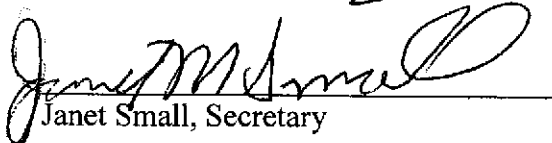
To discharge our sworn duties, as prescribed by the laws of the State of Georgia, we met on eight (8) dates during our term and acted upon Bills of Indictments presented to us by the District Attorney's Office.

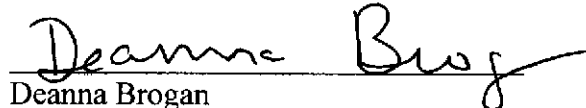
During our term, this Grand Jury appointed five (5) members to the Board of Equalization. Additionally, a Sub-Committee was formed to inspect the Charles B. Webster Detention Center. The applicable reports are attached.

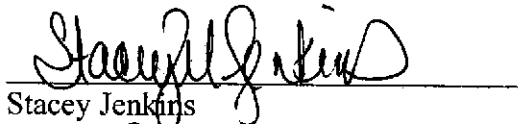
The Grand Jury respectfully submits this Presentment on the 14th day of September 2018 and requests that it is published.

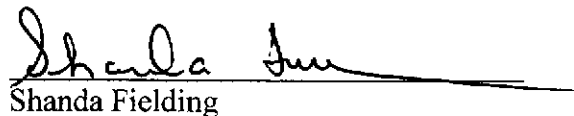
  
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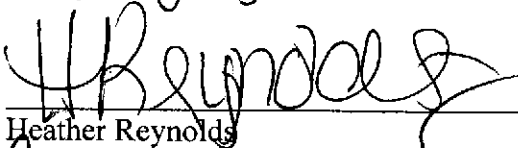
  
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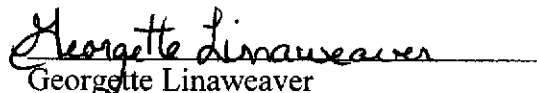
  
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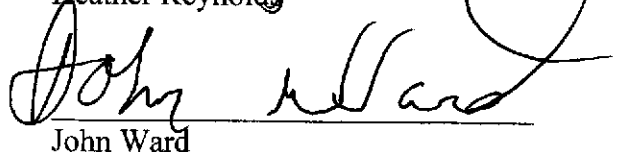
  
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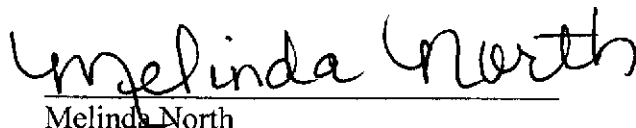
  
Stacey Jenkins

  
Shanda Fielding

  
Heather Reynolds

  
Georgette Linaweaver

  
John Ward

  
Melinda North

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Nicholas Leslie

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Erica Goode

*Bryan Curry*  
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*Maryetta Beck*  
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*Shelby Chance*  
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*Joy Johnson*  
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Jasmine Moten, Alternate

*Brenda Walden*  
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Elsie Turner

*Tyson Riley*  
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*Richard Brown*  
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*Tammy Butler*  
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*Courtney Rouse*  
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Allison Morrison, Alternate

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Charles Burnside, Alternate

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**SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE JULY TERM 2018 GRAND JURY**  
**REPORT ON THE CHARLES B. WEBSTER DETENTION CENTER**

On August 7, 2018, several members of the July 2018 Grand Jury did a walk-through of the Charles B. Webster Detention Center. Prior to our visit District Attorney Natalie S. Paine informed us of the dos and don'ts when we go into this secured facility. We were not to wear shorts or spaghetti strap tops and we were to have our ID's. We could not take in cell phones or our purses. We were met by employees of the facility who were quite eager to take us on this tour and answer all of our questions. This facility helps both women and men, separated from one another. We were told that this facility was not a prison, but more like a holding area for inmates awaiting or going through a trial. If they are found guilty then they will be sent on to prison.

We were offered lunch. Those of the committee who did partake of the offer stated the food was really good. The many areas we toured: Processing Center for booking and release; Medical Clinic; Laundry Room; Storage area for clothes and belongings the inmates come in with; Computer room-this is how the inmates converse with loved ones: there is no close contact; holding cells; full body scan room and showers; living quarters of the inmates and so much more were visited by the Committee. All of the rooms are concealed behind thick heavy doors that are locked with thick glass though not bullet proof they are shatter proof. We were extremely surprised at how clean all the rooms were – the floors, the walls, everything without dust or grime. This place was, to me, cleaner than any hospital. All of the rooms were up to standard. The Medical Clinic looked just like any you'd see on the outside. Those inmates that were found guilty in court and sent off to prison have to leave all their belongings behind at the center. The families of such inmates have forty-five (45) days to come and retrieve said belongings. If no one comes to claim the belongings, they are destroyed. If they are in good shape, they are cleaned and given to the many homeless people that are also in this center upon their release. The longest time anyone has spent at the facility has been seven years. I was surprised that there were no bars on the living quarters or anywhere else – just heavy doors. We were told how the uniforms worn by the inmates distinguished the violent from the non-violent. The women wore pink uniforms and the violent ones wore pink and white. The men wore orange and the violent ones wore orange and white. The cafeteria area was only for the crew and staff working in the facility; the inmates are served their meals in to-go containers in their living areas. They are given an hour outside in a heavily fenced in area. The center was not hot, smelly, or stuffy but cool, clean and comfortable throughout the whole facility. We even saw the area which housed inmates kept separate from the general population, such as cops, judges, politicians, etc. who are awaiting trial. There were 4 in one larger living quarter and they were playing cards and looking at television in their quarters.

The center was bitter sweet. Bitter because of so many men and women shut in due to the crimes they sadly got involved in. Sweet because they were in a very clean facility with a knowledgeable and caring staff that are well equipped with all that is needed to fully take care of everyone. The facility and staff were very impressive and in no way like many of us have seen in the movies or on television. All in all, it was a very good and informative

visit. I and the Committee would like to thank all of the facility employees for the time spent with us on the tour and the information given.

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